Monday August 16, 2010

Maureen wanted to check out some of the Salter family history so on the way home from the Suite Rally we made a side trip to Smiths Falls. Mike thinks that this might have been his Grandmother's house with new siding on it.



There were so many that all looked the same it was difficult to tell for sure.

We stayed at a pretty little campground called Victoria Park right on the Rideau Canal. We could watch the boats as they passed through the locks.





There were two Mobile Suites in the park but they did not attend the Rally. There were also some Salters in the park - but we did not cross paths with them while we were there.

After we got set up we went north of town to see where Mike's ancestors lived on Salter Road



All we could see was some broken down fences and lots of trees where the farms used to be. The land did not look very farmer friendly. Maureen has discovered that many of the Salters moved to Perth County near Listowel in search of better land. Seeing this marshy and rocky it is easy to see why farming would have been a challenge.



We travelled further north to the Franktown Cemetery.



There were plenty of grave markers that gave details about great grandparents, distant aunts, uncles and cousins who called the Franktown area their home in the late 1800 and early 1900s.







We were very pleased to see how well maintained this little graveyard is kept.

Heading back to Smith Falls we stopped at the town cemetery. It is a rather large one and it could have been a challenge to find the right markers. Luckily there was a man there who could tell us where to find the Salter plot.

These marked the place where Mike's Grandparents, Uncle, Aunt and Cousin are buried.





Tuesday August 17, 2010

We left Smiths Falls in the morning, took the back roads east and stopped for the night at a campground near Lindsay. Our site was a pull through near the front gate. Perfect for staying just one night.



Percy enjoyed watching the kids play in the playground across the street





Wednesday August 18, 2010

The last leg of the trip was very much stop and go as we wound our way back towards Science Hill. We had one more very important stop to make. A new Foster puppy was waiting for us to pick him up at the Breslau Breading Farm.



Mike got to hold him first.



His name is "Investment by Dundee" but we are calling him Indee.



This chocolate mini

poodle is sponsored by the Stratford Lions with money raised at the Stratford Dundee Investment Golf Tournament. Next year he should be ready to attend school at the Lions Foundation to train as a Hearing Ear Dog Guide.



The Memorial Forest at Breslau has certainly grown both in size and height. We stopped at Art's Woods to admire the landscaping.







On the way home Percy shared his crate with Indee.



When we got home Indee was happy to find that Percy has dozens of toys to play with.





He also found some shoes that looked interesting but he soon found out that foster parents are not pleased when he chews on them.



Here he is looking like a little angel.



Saturday August 21, 2010

We had some early morning visitors - Marty, Teana, Tristin, Christina and

Asker



They all enjoyed playing with Percy and Indee (who fit quite nicely into Maureen's purse).





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Indee played so hard that he fell asleep on toys.

Tuesday August 31, 2010



To celebrate our 40th anniversary Mike took Maureen for dinner at Wolfy's. It is



a rather small and intimate restaurant near St. Marys.



The food and wine was scrumptious and the presentation was amazing!





The service was absolutely flawless



And our table had a view of the setting sun.



Friday September 3, 2010

We left the fifth wheel behind and packed our bags for a trip to Kincardine for the annual Governor's Reunion.



J made a fabulous Forkin' Rum cake.



It was great to see the Lions again and catch up on what everyone has been up to over the past year.



The weather was rather cool and wet but that did not dampen our spirits and there was a beautiful sunset on Lake Huron.











Some Lions and puppies found the lazy boy very comfy



The gathering was smaller than usual and we certainly missed the Lions who could not make it this year, but the food and fun was great as usual.



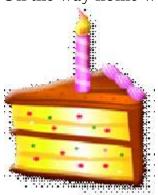
We rode into Kincardine to take a hike along the new boardwalk.







On the way home we stopped in Zurich to wish Francine a Happy 60th Birthday!





Friday September 10, 201



Maureen, Mike and Indee helped out at the Lions BBQ held at the Year End Ball Tournament in Stratford. Indee was a big hit with the kids and the Lady Ball Players.

Tuesday September 14, 2010

Fall is in the air at Science Hill Country Club. Soon it will be time to pack up and head south again for the winter.



This grasshopper enjoyed soaking up the sun on our shed.



